

Minutes

Action Item

Approval of minutes of April 7, 2016

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CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION STRATEGIC POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 7, 2016

A meeting of the California Student Aid Commission's Strategic Policy and Planning Committee was held on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at the University of Redlands, Building 221, Armacost Library, 2nd Floor, Redlands Room, 1200 E. Colton Avenue, Redlands, California.

Committee Chair Nancy Anton called the meeting to order at 3:39 p.m.

The following Committee Members were present:

Nancy Anton, Chair
Devon Graves
Harry Le Grande
Debra Maxie
Jack Scott
Hal Geiogoue, Ex Officio

The following Committee Member was absent:

Jose Solorio, Vice Chair

Roll Call was taken and a quorum was recognized.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Committee Chair Anton asked for public comment and, hearing none, proceeded to the next agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2016 (ACTION)

MOVED (Scott), **SECONDED** and **CARRIED** unanimously, the Committee **APPROVED** the minutes of February 5, 2016, as presented.

In Favor: Committee Members Graves, Le Grande, Maxie, Scott and Anton

Absent: Committee Member Solorio

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UPDATE ON COMPETITIVE CAL GRANT PROGRAM (INFORMATION)

Ms. Catalina Mistler, Chief of the Program Administration & Services Division, provided an update on the Competitive Cal Grant paid rate for the 2015-16 academic year, including a review of the changes implemented into the Grant Delivery System (GDS) and the scoring matrix.

UPDATE ON THE COHORT DEFAULT RATE AND GRADUATION RATE REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAL GRANT PROGRAM (INFORMATION)

Mr. Tae Kang, Senior Program Manager of Program Support Services, provided background information on the implementation of the cohort default rate (CDR) and graduation rate (GR) requirements and the impact on Cal Grant award recipients and institutions, noting there is insufficient data to determine the full impact on students.

Ms. Keri Tippins, General Counsel and Chief of Legal & Audit Services, reported that staff is working on developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with researchers at Harvard University to study the impact of the new CDR and GR requirements on students.

Some discussion followed about institutions that go in and out of eligibility, the students who choose to stay at those institutions, and their reasons for staying.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED AT FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee had no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the Strategic Policy and Planning Committee was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

NANCY ANTON
COMMITTEE CHAIR